(d) and (e) Available documentary evidence on the Missing Defence Personnel has been supplied to the Government of Pakistan. Relatives of some of the prisoners met our officials and were given the factual position.

(f) The question of sending an Indian Medical Team at this stage does not arise.

Delay in flights IC 409 and 410

1431. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of times when IC Nos. 409 and 410 have landed on time, delayed or over-flew Ranchi in January, 1989 and when these flights over-flew Ranchi due to non-functioning of night landing facilities;

(b) what action has been taken or is proposed to be taken to ensure that these flights touch Ranchi/Patna on Schedule time, to avoid over-flying; and

(c) whether Government propose to start both these flights from Delhi and Calcutta at 6.00 A.M.; if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) During Jan.'89 the flights IC-409 and 410 operated as under:—

	IC-409	IC-410
(i) landed at Ranchi on time	8	Nil
(ii) Arrived Ranchi late	21	26

IC-409/410 did not overfly Ranchi during Jan.'89 due to non-functioning of night landing facilities. IC-409 was cancelled twice due to grounding of aircraft and IC-410 overflew Ranchi on 5 occasions due to poor visibility at Ranchi.

(b) In the schedule effective 17.1.1989, Indian Airlines has provided greater cushioning on these flights so that the flights clear Ranchi and Patna during day time.

(c) During winter months, due to inclement weather conditions in the morning at Calcutta, Delhi and enroute stations, change of the departure time to 6.00 A.M. will not result in regularity of these flights.

Recommendations of Sikri Committee on Railway Accidents

1432. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the recommendations made by the Sikri Committee on Railway Accidents, 1978 which still remain to be implemented; and

(b) what have been the results, over these years, of the non-implementation of each of these recommendations, separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Out of a total of 528 recommendations made by the Sikri Committee, 454 have been accepted. Of the accepted recommendations all, excepting 8, have been implemented. The details of these eight pending recommendations are given in the statement attached. (*See* below)

(b) It is not possible to quantify the results of non-implementation of these recommendations. The recommendations are pending mainly due to the time-lag involved for upgrading technology and developing new technical devices.